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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0469]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Certificate Showing Residence and Heirs of Deceased Veterans or Beneficiary

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Veterans Benefits Administrations, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This form is used by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to establish entitlement to Government Life Insurance proceeds in estate cases when formal administration of the estate is not required.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before "[INSERT_DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through
Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J.
Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administrations (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs,

810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0469" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Harvey-Pryor at (202) 461-5870. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on:

(1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

<u>Authority</u>: Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521 and Title 38, USC Sections 1817 and 1950.

<u>Title</u>: Certificate Showing Residence and Heirs of Deceased Veterans of Beneficiary VA Form 29-541

OMB Control Number: 2900-0469.

Type of Review: Reinstatement of a previously approved collection

Abstract: The form is used by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to establish

entitlement to Government Life Insurance proceeds in estate cases when formal

administration of the estate is not required. The information on the form is required by

law, Title 38, USC Sections 1817 and 1950. This form expired due to high volume of

work and staffing changes.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,039 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,078.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,

Department Clearance Officer,

Office of Quality, Privacy and Risk,

Department of Veterans Affairs.

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